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(b) Each safety belt must be equipped with a metal to metal latching device.

(Secs. 313, 314, and 601 through 610 of the Federal Aviation Act of 1958 (49 U.S.C. 1354, 1355, and 1421 through 1430) and sec. 6(c), Dept. of Transportation Act (49 U.S.C. 1655(c)))

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§29.1415 Ditching equipment.

- (a) Emergency flotation and signaling equipment required by any operating rule of this chapter must meet the requirements of this section.
- (b) Each liferaft and each life preserver must be approved. In addition—
- (1) Provide not less than two rafts, of an approximately equal rated capacity and buoyancy to accommodate the occupants of the rotorcraft; and
- (2) Each raft must have a trailing line, and must have a static line designed to hold the raft near the rotorcraft but to release it if the rotorcraft becomes totally submerged.
- (c) Approved survival equipment must be attached to each liferaft.
- (d) There must be an approved survival type emergency locator transmitter for use in one life raft.

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§29.1419 Ice protection.

- (a) To obtain certification for flight into icing conditions, compliance with this section must be shown.
- (b) It must be demonstrated that the rotorcraft can be safely operated in the continuous maximum and intermittent maximum icing conditions determined under appendix C of this part within the rotorcraft altitude envelope. An analysis must be performed to establish, on the basis of the rotorcraft's operational needs, the adequacy of the ice protection system for the various components of the rotorcraft.
- (c) In addition to the analysis and physical evaluation prescribed in paragraph (b) of this section, the effectiveness of the ice protection system and its components must be shown by flight tests of the rotorcraft or its components in measured natural atmos-

pheric icing conditions and by one or more of the following tests as found necessary to determine the adequacy of the ice protection system:

- (1) Laboratory dry air or simulated icing tests, or a combination of both, of the components or models of the components.
- (2) Flight dry air tests of the ice protection system as a whole, or its individual components.
- (3) Flight tests of the rotorcraft or its components in measured simulated icing conditions.
- (d) The ice protection provisions of this section are considered to be applicable primarily to the airframe. Powerplant installation requirements are contained in Subpart E of this part.
- (e) A means must be identified or provided for determining the formation of ice on critical parts of the rotor-craft. Unless otherwise restricted, the means must be available for nighttime as well as daytime operation. The rotorcraft flight manual must describe the means of determining ice formation and must contain information necessary for safe operation of the rotor-craft in icing conditions.

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§29.1431 Electronic equipment.

- (a) Radio communication and navigation equipment installations must be free from hazards in themselves, in their method of operation, and in their effects on other components, under any critical environmental conditions.
- (b) Radio communication and navigation equipment, controls, and wiring must be installed so that operation of any one unit or system of units will not adversely affect the simultaneous operation of any other radio or electronic unit, or system of units, required by this chapter.

§29.1433 Vacuum systems.

- (a) There must be means, in addition to the normal pressure relief, to automatically relieve the pressure in the discharge lines from the vacuum air pump when the delivery temperature of the air becomes unsafe.
- (b) Each vacuum air system line and fitting on the discharge side of the